Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the

present application. Applicant would also like to thank the Examiner for the indication of the

allowable subject matter in claims 2–5.

Claim 5 has been amended to correct informalities. Claims 6–10 have been canceled.

Claims 11 and 12 have been added.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jin et al. (U.S.

Patent No. 6,392,286). For at least the following reasons, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully

traversed.

There is no suggestion or motivation for one skilled in the art at the time the invention

was made to modify Jin to arrive at the claimed invention. Jin specifically teaches a cleaning

apparatus that uses ultraviolet ray to clean PCBs instead of using plasma. In Jin, cleaning with

ultraviolet ray is used as the solution to clean PCBs to overcome the cleaning process problems

of using plasma to clean PCBs (Abstract; col. 2, line 20 to col. 3 line 20).

Since Jin clearly teaches away from uses plasma for cleaning PCBs, there would be no

motivation to modify Jin to use plasma for cleaning PCBs. Therefore, one skilled in the art

would not modify the Jin cleaning apparatus to have a chamber for cleaning a substrate and an

electronic part by plasma. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection based upon the

modification of the reference is respectfully requested

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a

condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the

application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone

interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

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If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 35955.

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